



South Mississippi Regional Center

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South Mississippi Regional Center is a program of the Mississippi Department of Mental Health providing care and support for people with intellectual and other developmental disabilities. We are currently seeking individuals who are energetic and compassionate team players and motivators for direct support positions at all of our locations. Each position at South

Mississippi Regional Center is an important and impactful role that provides our individuals with the appropriate level of care to meet their social, emotional, physical, and personal needs.

SOUTH MISSISSIPPI REGIONAL CENTER IS SEEKING A DCW/DCA/DCAS OT/PT Aide

WORK LOCATION: OT/PT

PAY: DCW - \$24,024.34 Annual salary

DCA - \$26,369.81 Annual Salary

DCAS - \$28,910.27 Annual Salary

SCHEDULE/SHIFTS: To be determined

RESPONSIBILITIES:

This is semi-skilled level work in the care and supervision of residents or patients at a state mental health facility. Employees assist residents in all areas of physical care and assume total responsibility for the hygiene of patients who are unable to independently perform such tasks. Other duties include participating in social and recreational activities for the residents, and writing nontechnical reports on patient behavior and activity.

EXPERIENCE/EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

Assist Occupational and Physical Therapist in administering therapy program.

- Attend to needs of Clients.
- Instruct clients in various areas of normal and creative arts, crafts, and other related activities designed for rehabilitation purposes.
- Keep records of client behavior, attendance and accomplished results.
- Reports to supervisor regarding client needs or changes in therapeutic programs.
- Ability to follow oral or written instructions.
- Performs related therapeutic activities and assist in other areas where needed.
- Related or similar duties are performed as required or assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS:

DCW Qualifications - Graduation from a standard four-year high school or equivalent (GED or High School Equivalency Diploma). A valid MS Driver's license or license from a contiguous state is required.

DCA Qualifications - Ninety (90) days as a MH-Direct Care Worker with recommendation of supervisor based on either a successful Performance Development Assessment (PDA) rating or completion of the agency specific competency checklist.

DCAS Qualifications - Graduation from an accredited four-year high school or equivalent (GED or High School Equivalency Diploma); AND Minimum of six (6) months of experience as a MH-Direct Care Worker; AND Completion of a Basic Supervisory Training course. Successful completion of the Direct Care Training Program approved by the Mississippi Department of Mental Health. Required Document: Applicant must attach a copy of his/her Direct Care Training Program Certificate to verify completion of the program.

HOW TO APPLY: Completed State Application and Release Packets **MUST** be filled out and hand delivered to the Human Resource Department, 1170 West Railroad Street, Long Beach, MS 39560, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday – Friday by appointment **ONLY**. Applications will be taken until filled. For more information, call 228.868.2923. Applications can be found at <https://www.smrc.ms.gov>. Documentation verifying education is required with application.